### List of priority topics related to National Public Health problems

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1 Source: Plan Stratégique de la Recherche Scientifique, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique et Technique (CNRST), Ministère des Enseignements Secondaire, Supérieur et de la Recherche Scientifique (MESSRS), Ouagadougou, 1995, p 41-42.

2 These priority health problems where formulated in 1997 through a workshop on Essential National Health Research (ENHR) organised by the Ministry of Health in collaboration with COHRED and attended by all stakeholders involved in health research in the country. The purpose of the workshop was to identify twenty “vertical” and twenty “horizontal” health problems aiming at orienting health research priorities. (Source: Actes du premier Symposium sur la Recherche National Essentielle en Santé au Burkina Faso, Ministère de la Santé et Ministère des Enseignements Secondaire, Supérieur et de la Recherche Scientifique (MESSRS), Ouagadougou, 1997).